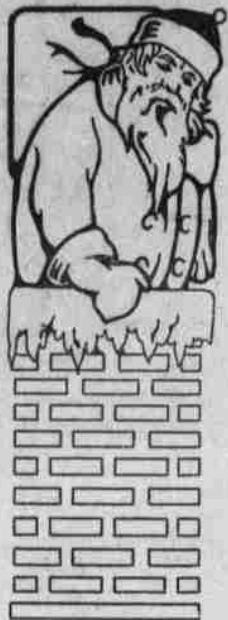


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**WE** wish to thank our patrons for their liberal patronage during the year now closing, and extend to all our best wishes for a very happy Christmas season.

**LAAKMAN'S DRUG STORE**

## CHRISTMAS WEDDING BELLS

**Marriage Licenses Granted During the Week Ending December 23**  
Dec. 17, John Smith and Miss Bertha Henson of Elvins.  
17th, H. H. Robadeaux and Miss Nellie V. Wallace of Flat River.  
18th, George Vaughan and Miss Lucy Williams of Farmington Route No. 4.  
18th, David Lee and Miss Olive Young of Elvins.  
18th, Robert E. Marshall of Ironton and Miss Elsie Tollerison of Graniteville.  
18th, Leon Scowden of Cornwall and Miss Eva Wolfe of Elvins.  
20th, Wesley Albright of Farmington and Miss Myrtle Forshee of Desloge.  
20th, Luther Scott and Miss Myrtle Gilbert of Desloge.  
20th, Cyrus Barnes of Desloge and Miss Rose Ketherside of Bonne Terre.  
20th, Charley Case and Miss Katie Vitto of Bonne Terre.  
22d, Glen Mitchell and Miss Melvina Hensley of Halifax.  
22d, Charles McClellan of Fredericktown and Miss Ruth Nugent of Farmington.  
23d, Jeff Layne of Elvins and Miss Grace Bone of Fredericktown.  
23d, Leslie Jones of Leadwood and Miss Grace Horton of Peoria.

## MADE FORTUNE FROM SWAMPS, DIES

Commerce, Mo., Dec. 21.—Joseph H. Moore of Commerce died this afternoon. He was 80 years old and prominent lawyer since 1857. He bought thousands of acres of swamp land which proved immensely valuable when drained and tilled. He made the first set of land records of Scott county. He was married twice, and four of eight children survive him.

## \$1,000,000 WAGE DIVIDEND

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 16.—Directors of the Eastman Kodak Company have declared a wage dividend of \$1,000,000 payable to all employees who have worked for the company one year or more. Payment will be made on the basis of 3 1/2 per cent of a year's salary multiplied by the number of years, not exceeding five, the employee has been working for the company. The maximum dividend amounts to 17 1/2 per cent for those who have been on the payrolls for five or more years. The distribution will be made July 1, 1916. Nine weeks salary will be received by those entitled to the maximum dividend. This is the fourth annual wage dividend declared by the company and is the largest of the four.

## 600 WAR HORSES DROWN

New York, Dec. 17.—Nearly 600 horses, most of them raised in Texas, valued at an average of \$200 each and consigned to Brest, France, for the use of the allied armies, were drowned in the North River this afternoon, when the barge sprang a leak and sank. The animals were to be transferred to the steamer Anglo-Californian for transportation to France.

Timber wolves are getting extremely plentiful in northern and eastern Butler county. Farmers in the more thinly settled districts are making many complaints about the animals, and a good deal of stock has been lost by their ravages. People in the smaller towns state that the night is made dismal by the beasts' howling. Timber wolves are very hard to kill, as they only venture out at night. Poplar Bluff Citizen-Democrat.

## THE CARLETON-MARVIN COLLEGE CONSOLIDATION

The Joint Commission Met in St. Louis Tuesday and Took Important Action

The Joint Commission heretofore created by the St. Louis Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the purpose of consolidating Carleton and Marvin Colleges, met in St. Louis last Tuesday and took definite action as to the consolidation of these two colleges.

At a former meeting of this commission a joint committee was appointed to visit both Farmington and Fredericktown and view the whole college situation and fix a value upon each college plant. This they did and their report is on file with the commission.

Last Tuesday the commission by resolution unanimously adopted, appointed another joint committee to ascertain whether or not each college plant could be sold and for what price. If only one college plant could be sold for enough or more to cover the joint indebtedness on both plants, then the excess to be given to the plant retained; and it was thought best to take the net proceeds, after paying all past debts, and locate the joint college at some other point.

It seems that some definite action will be taken, and it behooves the people of Farmington to "get busy" and try to "land" this college, for if the two great Methodist bodies get back of a college it will be one of the best educational institutions in the State.

Farmington, wake up!

## OLD CITIZEN OF MARION TOWNSHIP PASSES AWAY

George W. Horn, an old and one of the most highly respected citizens of Marion township, this county, died at his home on Monday, December 20, 1915, aged 74 years, three months and twenty-one days. Mr. Horn was born in Marion township August 29, 1841, and has made his home there all his life. He was a successful farmer and live stock man, and held the confidence and good will of all with whom he had dealings.

On November 5, 1861, he was married to Miss Rebecca Patterson, also a native of this county, and to this union were born three sons and two daughters. His wife and the two daughters died some time ago. The sons are still living and are George M., William A. and Marvin Horn.

In the death of Mr. Horn, St. Francois county loses one of its best and most enterprising citizens.

## THE PRESIDING ELDER AS GUEST

Rev. W. J. Heys writes:—The members of the M. E. Church, South, at DeSoto, had a "Get-together" evening recently when Rev. William Court, the new Presiding Elder, was the guest of honor. The young people of the church rendered a delightful program, a special feature being a male quartet. The pastor then stated the object of the meeting and introduced the presiding elder. Brother Court magnifies his office and he fairly captured our people, especially showing his ability to get acquainted on short notice. This meeting was planned so that the presiding elder could meet with us socially before he comes to us officially. The Woman's Missionary Society served light refreshments and the attendance was representative of the entire church.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

## SKUNK WITHOUT ODOR

We have had a rose without a thorn, a bee without a sting, and now comes the skunk—you need not run—parted from his anesthetizing faculty.

F. A. Alexander of Rhineland, Wis., is raising "disarmed" skunks. The scent sacs are removed from the animal with a few turns of a sharp knife, and the little fur-bearer has no stigma to prevent aesthetic social relations with man.

"Skunk fur is eagerly sought," says Mr. Alexander. After supplying the home market last year the United States sent 500,000 skins to London. "If we had known thirty years ago what we know now about the 'disarming' of skunks, skunk raising would be a tremendous industry. The animal is hardy. There are six or seven young in each litter, and one is seldom lost."

## JEWISH LIBERALITY

For Their Suffering Brethren in Russia—Baskets Filled with Money and Diamonds when 3,500 Hear of Russian Atrocities

New York, Dec. 22.—Stirred by appeals for money to aid Jewish sufferers in Russia, 3,500 persons—the richest and poorest Jews in this city—contributed more than \$650,000 last night in Carnegie Hall at a meeting held by the American Jewish Relief Committee. The amount may reach \$1,000,000.

The scene was one that will long be remembered. Poor women, waiting at the recital of the Jewish persecution, ran down to the edge of the platform and tossed their cheap jewelry and all their slim monetary possessions on to the stage. Many persons from the East side gave their car fare with full hearts.

At times the scene was one of excitement, so eager were contributors to get to the platform. Basket after basket, overflowing with envelopes containing pledges of donations, were hurried down the aisles through the shouting throng.

The appeal for money came late in the evening.

J. L. Magenes' of the Relief Association read the eyewitness' accounts of the mistreatment of the Jews, telling how whole communities had been ordered to depart from their homes and get out of the city. His tale of the misery this brought to old men and women and children soon provoked sobbing and audible praying and when he exclaimed, "Will anybody contribute money to help these sufferers?" a man rushed down the aisle and emptied his pockets on the platform.

In a few seconds the rush to the platform began and, amid wild crying and praying, men and women stripped themselves of money and trinkets of all kinds.

"Four gentlemen have just contributed \$100,000 each," Mr. Magenes shouted and in the next minute cries came from all around the house, offering sums from \$50 to \$5000. These persons were told to fill out blanks, place them in envelopes and hand them to the ushers. Though the names were not given out, it was said the four big contributors were Jacob H. Schiff, Nathan Straus, the Guggenheims' and Julius Rosenwald, head of Sears, Roebuck & Co.

Amid a roar of applause Mr. Magenes then announced that Louis Marshall had given \$10,000, Justice Irvin Lehman \$5000, the Business men's League \$13,000, Jacob Wertheim, \$15,000, Samuel Untermyer \$10,000, and he read off name after name, each being greeted with riotous handclapping and shouting.

Ten men in Philadelphia gave \$50,000; seven in Pittsburgh, \$30,000, and groups in Portland, Oregon, \$26,000; Cincinnati, \$30,000, and Indianapolis, \$15,000.

Fully half the envelopes had not been opened when the meeting closed and there is every reason to believe that \$1,000,000 will have been raised.

The object of the meeting was to raise \$5,000,000 in the United States before December 31.

## CLEANING UP ROUGH PLACES

Deputy Sheriffs Sam Doss and Spurgeon Ditch and Deputy Constables Jasper Thomure and O. E. Highley raided Fred Harper's place, at Elvins, Wednesday night, breaking into a poker game, which they necessarily interrupted in arresting the following participants: Fred Harper, Ed Hart, Bill Buxton, C. J. Kirk, Will O'Bannon and Ed Wilson. Large stacks of chips were also taken in by the officers, as were also several decks of cards for use in the game, to be used as evidence.

The prisoners were taken to Desloge, where they were arraigned before Squire Arnold, and The Times is informed that they entered a plea of not guilty.

Earlier in the same evening the same deputy Sheriffs arrested a Hungarian miner and two lewd women, who were arraigned before the same court. They entered pleas of guilty, and each were fined \$25 and given a jail sentence of 60 days.

The meting out of such swift justice to law violators should soon put an end to such trespassing, and the officers are to be commended upon their splendid activity. When those who are inclined to go astray learn that the law is very apt to get hold of them, it will have the effect of strengthening them somewhat in the straight and narrow way.

**WE** EXTEND OUR SINCERE THANKS for the friendship and patronage accorded us during the year 1915.

**THAT A FULL MEASURE** of prosperity happiness and success may be yours; and make for you a very **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year** is our sincere wish.

**A LIFE SCHOLARSHIP** beginning with the opening of the Winter Term, Jan. 3, 1916, would make a most valuable and very appropriate gift for a son or daughter.

**AFTER JANUARY FIFTEENTH, 1916**, our tuition rates will be materially increased. We welcome the patronage we merit.

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Farmington, Missouri

## JOSEPH EDRIC COVER

The subject of this sketch was born April 28th, 1866, at Marion, Illinois, and died at Farmington, Missouri, December 20th, age forty-nine years, seven months and twenty-two days. He was buried in the Masonic Cemetery, at Farmington, Mo., on Tuesday.

He was a valuable citizen. Coming to Crystal City, Mo., in early youth, he found employment in the office of the Crystal Plate Glass Company, and soon came to be assistant accountant. After remaining with this company seventeen years he surrendered his position and organized, and became the cashier of the Bank of Flat River, the first bank to be organized in the Lead Belt outside of Bonne Terre. This was in the fall of 1899. Two years later he joined with others and purchased a controlling interest in the St. Francois County Bank, at Farmington, Mo. He then removed to Farmington and accepted the position of cashier of this bank, which position he held until his last illness necessitated his resigning.

In these several positions of trust he at all times commanded the utmost confidence and respect of his associates and friends. His honor he held most sacred, and his motives were never impugned. He gave to his employers the very best he had to give, whether of talent, of energy, of strength.

He was a devoted member of the Disciples of Christ, or Christian Church, having joined in early manhood under the ministry of Elder T. P. Reed, at Festus, Mo. For thirty years he was secretary of the Sunday Schools of which he attended; i. e. fifteen years at Festus and fifteen years at Farmington. During all or most of this time he was a member of the official board and zealously supported all the activities of the church. As a church man he was faithful, had high ideals, and possessed a Christian character that was at once an inspiration to, and a blessing for, every young man that came within the circle of his influence.

On October 12, 1887, at Festus, Mo., he married Carria A. Swink, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Swink, and to this wedlock two children were born, Bess Cornwall of Maplewood, New Jersey, and May of Farmington. His beloved wife and children survive him. He was one of three children born to Samuel and Eunice Cover. These have all preceded him to the eternal resting place, his brother and sister having answered the summons only a few months ago.

Though a very active man in the commercial and religious activities of life, it was in his home life that he excelled. Here he had no peer. A loving, devoted husband, and a kind and indulgent father, he so endeared himself to his family, that his passing will leave a void that nothing this side of eternity will ever fill. He exemplified, in his last days, such a faith in God, and gave forth such evidences of those Christian graces, that, truly, it was sublime to behold. Calling to his bedside, a few hours before the final summons came, the members of the family and a number of relatives, he gave each one present a message of good cheer and blessing, and sent a like message to many others who were not present.

The influence of such a life, whether

in the state, the church, or home, will live on, and through the good that comes from a life well spent, bless not only those with whom he came in contact, but many that he never knew.

## MRS. LEDBETTER SCORES AT THE MADISON COUNTY POULTRY ASSOC'N SHOW

Fredericktown, Mo., Dec. 20. Editor The Farmington Times:—

At the Madison County Poultry Association's Fourth Annual Show, held here last week, Mrs. H. B. Ledbetter of your city won first on cockerel and first on cock in the Barred Rock class in the face of hot competition. There were about 40 Barred Rocks in competition.

Mrs. Ledbetter also had the distinction of winning a fine Silver Prize Cup for the highest scoring male bird in the show.

Mr. W. H. Selzer also won second pen on White Wyandottes.

We had a wonderfully fine show this year. Over 300 birds were on exhibition and many farmers were prevented from getting in because of high water. Anything that you may say that will bring us more exhibits from Farmington next year will be appreciated. We have easily the best Association and Show in Southeast Missouri.

O. J. FERGUSON, Secretary.

Try a year's subscription to The Farmington Times for your friend, no matter where he or she may reside. They will be interested in a record of the events of your home community, and you may be assured it will be highly appreciated. Can you think of anything that will so pleasantly remind them of you for at least fifty-two times in the year. It is impossible for you to think of anything more appropriate for a Xmas present.

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